GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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INDIAN TOURISM OFFICE IN CHINA
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Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether India and China had agreed to open their tourism offices on either side of the border under the Friendship through Tourism Programme;

(b) if so, whether China has already opened its tourism office in India, and India is still undecided about the location of its office in China; and

(c) if so, the reasons for the delay in opening the India Tourism Office in China?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE(SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b) & (c): As per the Action Plan adopted for celebrating 'India China Year of Friendship Through Tourism' both countries agreed to open their tourism offices in each other's country. China has already opened its tourism office in New Delhi in August, 2007 and Government of India has approved the opening of India Tourism Office in Beijing, China.